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Muscle Shoals

Certainly the strangest example of fearful waste of a public resource, and the strong est argument against 'nationalization" of big industries that has been afforded the American people during the past war decade is that of the Muscle Shoals hydro electric power plant Alabama.

Construction of this great dam on the Tennessee River was begun during the war for the avowed purpose of providing a great reservoir of hydroelecric power and a nitrogen producing plant that would safeguard a good supply of explosives in case of war emergency and provide an abundance of nitrogenous fertilizer in times of peace for American farmers.

The great plant was finished shortly after the World War, and in 1920 the row over how it should be operated started in the Senate. The row is still going strong and no nearer settlement than ever. Meantime, for over ten years the plant, which cost more tens of millions than we dare try to recall, has remained idle and useless.

At the outset of the fight a number of senators, many of whom have since passed from the Senate chamber and all earthly scenes, jumped on the proposal to lease the plant to Henry Ford under guarantee of a cheap and abundant output of fertilizer like a lot of Charlie Chaplins. The best argument put up, as we remember, was that the Detroit automobile manufacturer was just too powerful already and that it would not do to permit him to acquire further power.

Since then the disposal of Muscle Shoals has been a political football, the row centering on questions of whether the government should operate the plant and sell powder and fertilizer, whether it should lease, or whether Muscle Shoals should be sold to private interests. Every bill that has been offered on the subject has been wrecked by some opposing faction.

The best hope of a solution lies in the probability that if the question threatens another deadlock in the next congress, some compromise that will enable the plant to operate will be forced by public opinion. It is a problem that vitally concerns farmers who are paying a high price for fertilizer.

Meantime the controversy offers a strange example of legislative breakdown.

We've Always Recovered

Said Patrick Henry, in teh famous speech that used to be in the school readers, "We have no way of judging the future but by the past." F. Edson White, former president of Armour and Company, who died in an accident the other day, said just before his death:

"In 50 years the country has gone through 15 depressions, We not only recovered from every one of them, but we gained enough between times to make us the most powerful and prosperous people in the world.

"We should shun the blatant optimist and ignore the pessimist and proceed on the theory that what has happened in the past is the best indication of what will happen in the future."

—Harrisonburg News Record

Don't Leave All the Work to Uncle Sam

By Albert T. Reid

The Way of Life
by BRUCE BARTON

Trying To Get More Than There Is

THIS is the story of two men who are now about forty-five years old.

They graduated in the same class at college. One of them came to New York and took the first job he could get, which happened to be in the stock-room of a large corporation. He lived in an attic, did his own washing, and fought roaches and nail. After a while, as the business grew and older men dropped out, he was promoted, until he is now a vice-president. He has a home in the suburbs, and a fine family, and is accumulating a comfortable fortune.

The other young man was equally attractive and talented but he had a different idea.

Said he: "I'm not going to be tied down. Why waste the best years of life in a stuffy office? I'll wander around and see the world while I am young: there will be plenty of time for work later on."

Well, he has wandered around the world. He has been to interesting places, had romantic adventures, met unusual people. Now he is through with his travels, and at forty-five wants to settle down.

But, though the other man tried to help him, it is almost impossible. He knows no trade, has mastered no tools, has no business experience to offer. He is out of life, and he can't get in.

He thinks that Fate has played a mean trick. He envies the success of his friend, and he is tending to grow bitter.

All of which suggests that much of the trouble in human affairs comes from trying to beat the game—from trying to get out of life more than there is in it.

"The gods," said Emerson, "sell everything to men at a fair price."

They sell business success, but the price is several tough years of work.

They sell pleasure and adventure, but the price of these is also measured in years.

They sell the thrill of speculation, but the price is that few win and many lose; and even the winners often sacrifice their nervous systems and their health.

They sell family life; and they sell divorce.

Any man may choose the thing that he wants to buy, but no man may choose them all.

And whoever makes his choice—and then wakes up to regret that he did not choose otherwise—is in tough luck. We can be sorry for him, but we can not do much to help.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

A Drought Preventive

While the county is striving to work out some plan to relieve the needy and suffering we might consider a good preventive, a closer walk with God. If we do our part and obey His commands, He will surely do His. We have certainly failed to do our part. Travel over the country, and you will find the ball parks open on Sunday, foot ball and golf games going on, and people at work. Go to the churches and you will find very few people at the services. Until we change our course and strive to obey God's commands we may expect heavier punishment in the future. The Lord has always blessed us far beyond what we deserved.

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Dear Editor:

I look forward each week to the Lady Finger column. It is both interesting and helpful.

Miss Janie McKinney

Because not one marriage ceremony has been performed in the town of South Lincolnshire, Eng., during the last 14 months, a pastor has announced a series of four sermons on "Courtship and Marriage."

25 YEARS AGO

IN THE APPOMATTOX & BUCKINGHAM TIMES
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Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDearmon of Bellvue, were in Evergreen last week.

Mr. Lawson Brown is progressing very nicely at J. W. Ransome's residence.

B. G. Gunter was in Hill City last week.

O. L. Haga has moved to West Appomattox from Hollywood.

H. C. Turner has moved to his old place at Hollywood.

Rev. W. E. Warren preached his farewell sermon at Hollywood last Sunday.

Mr. John C. Shearer has rented Mrs. Mollie Moore's cottage and will move into town in a few days.

On Monday night of last week the young people of our village had a bowling party. After playing until a late hour, refreshments were served.

Ray Stanley entertained his little friends Monday night with a flinch party.

Samuel Turner will succeed Messrs. Beasley and Morris as merchants at Anderson's Mill.

A number of our boys and girls enjoyed a pleasant evening at the home of Miss Lily Hancock, Tuesday, where they played flinch and were served refreshments.

We want a hardware store for this town. We want a drug store for this town. We want

Twyman Gets 26 Cent Average

Dr. D. N. Twyman sold a load of tobacco on the Farmville market during the Glut getting from $6 to $42 a hundred and averaging around 26 cents a pound.

A few years ago, Dr. Twyman's farm, then the old Tanner farm, was said to be the poorest in the county. H. C. Babcock says, "Now, if you want to see a good all around farm that is not for sale, take a look." Dr. Twyman believes in deep cultivation.

Although it is inadvisable for farmers to try to tan valuable fur skins or large hides, small fur skins or skins of low market value can be tanned for home use, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Farmers' Bulletin 1334-F (Revised), which may be obtained from the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., gives directions for the home tanning of leather and small fur skins.

Because of an error in reading a notice sent to him, Prof. Samuel L. Barber, of Australia arrived in London a year ahead of time for a scientific convention.

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Tact

Tact is the knack of keeping quiet at the right time; of being so agreeable yourself that no one can be disagreeable to you; of making inferiority feel like equality. A tactful man can pull the stinger from a bee without getting stung.—George Horace Lorimer.

Sunday School Lesson

International Sunday School Lesson for February 1st

JESUS THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

Luke 4:38-44; 5:12-16

Jesus is now well started in the second year of His public ministry and the work centers in Galilee. During the year, following the Temptation, He wrought in Judea. One incident is remembered by all: the conversation with Nicodemus which gives us the great truth in John 3:16. The rejection by His fellow towns men in Nazareth caused Jesus to make Capernaum the center of activity.

The months that follow cover the period of popular favor. In the languarge of today, the Nazarene was first page news. This was due in part to the frequency of His miracles. People were alert to see what He would do next.

Simon Peter had been called as a disciple, and later as one of the apostles. As Jesus entered that home in Capernaum He learned that the mother-in-law was bedridden with a prostrating fever. With a word of divine power the Almighty spoke her into health which was so complete that this woman could at once assist in the hospitality made necessary by the guests. Likewise salvation and the forgiveness of sins is an act rather than a process. When conditions have been met, Jesus speaks and it is done.

Modern medical missions are prophesied in the marvelous work of the Healer that afternoon. When people learned that the Great Physician was in their midst and was ready to help any, kindly friends hastened to bring the sick of all that community into His Presence.

Even the dread disease of leprosy was subject to His word of power. From that miracle Jesus withdrew that He might maintain His spiritual strength through personal prayer unto the Father.

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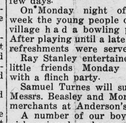

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American Girl Wins English Skating Tourney

Miss Maribel Vinson, 19, of Boston, who won the gold medal of the British National Skating Association in London recently, with an exhibition of speed and fancy skating which amazed the English.

Spout Spring

Mrs. Mary L. McDearmon and sons, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with Mrs. Russel Cawthorn.

Miss Eleanor Bondurant, of Lynchburg, was the recent guest of Miss Elizabeth Robertson.

Mrs. C. W. Adams, of Littleton, N. C., spent Sunday in the home of R. H. Bates.

Miss Susie Bates spent last week in Lynchburg.

Mrs. A. A. Steele, of Roanoke, was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Smith and Richard Smith, of Lynchburg, were the guest in the home of R. W. Smith Sunday.

Miss Estelle Dickerson, who has been sick with measles, is able to be out again.

Mrs. R. H. Bates had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bates and son, and A. D. Bates of Lynchburg, and R. W. Bates, of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson and children spent last Sunday in Roanoke.

Miss Lena Bates his returned home after spending a few days with Miss Frances Smith.

Miss Sara Bates, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Addie Bates.

Colored Notes

Missie Hannah, colored, 68 years old, died last Friday. She was buried near Chap.

The Price Debating Society of the Appomattox County Training School for colored children will give its first annual debate Friday night at the colored people's First Baptist Church.

Resolved that Capital Punishment should be abolished in the United States" will be the subject debated. The affirmative will be upheld by Helen Stevens, Lefon Watkins, Rosser Coleman, and Anna Page. Pearl Watson, George Tibbs, Juanita Patterson, and Chassie Patterson will take the negative side.

The School League met Monday night at the schoolhouse with about twenty-five members present. It was decided that each member would bring 25 cents a month to contribute towards the school building fund.

Among others doing their bit to relieve present distress is Judge Riopelle of Ecorse, Mich. Automobile speeders brought before him are sentenced to buy shoes for poor children of the community.

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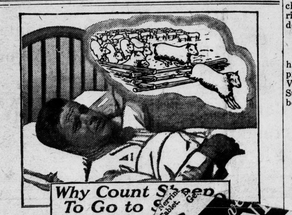

LADY FINGERS

Duty

When Duty comes a-knocking at your gate
Welcome him in, for if you bid him wait
He will depart only to come once more
And bring seven other duties to your door.

Edwin Markham

Household Helps

When making gravy always use cold water to thin it with, as this will assure you of a smooth gravy.

When you use a new recipe from a cook book and find it a good one, put a little star or some notation by it to enable you to find the right one next time.

A dull knife will cut cheese better than a sharp one.

Good Things To Eat and how to Make Them

Cabbage and Carrot Salad

Use equal parts of grated carrots and finely shredded cabbage. Mix the carrots and cabbage together with seasoning (salad dressing if desired) until well blended. Serve on crisp green lettuce.

Cheese With Spaghetti or Macaroni

4 cups macaroni or spaghetti broken into small pieces
4 cups milk
2 teaspoons salt
4 tablespoons flour
8 tablespoons fat
1 lb sharp flavored cheese shaved thin

Cook the macaroni or spaghetti in 4 quarts of boiling water until tender, and drain. Make a sauce of the flour, fat, milk, and salt. Cook over hot water for 5 to 10 minutes. Take it from the stove, add the cheese and stir until the cheese is melted. Pour the cheese sauce over the hot spaghetti and serve at once.

Corn Muffins

1 cup corn meal
1 cup flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
3 teaspoons salt
5 tablespoons sugar
1 egg
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons fat melted

Mix all ingredients and beat 2 minutes. Half fill greased muffin pans and bake 15 minutes in moderate oven.

Queen Fritters

Take one cup of water and a teaspoonful of butter and let boil together. Mix with one pound of sifted flour, then drop by teaspoonful into grease, which should be medium hot. (4 cups of flour makes one pound.)

Thought for Week

The family furnishes the opportunity for discovering interdependence, consideration, love, and their manifestations. The home gives shelter, needful food, comfort, privacy, retreat, refuge in trouble, fostering care for the young recreation, leisure, rest, hope, joy. The family must rise to discover its spiritual service to its members and through them to larger groups.

The family's success is now to be sought in mutuality, service, love, rather than in force.

For, a home and family life are not simple things that grow of themselves without any special care, they are achievement—the result of the right kind of knowledge, wisdom and desire.

— By John M. Brewer, Boston, Mass.

If you like Lady Fingers or have any suggestions to improve it write a letter to Times Virginian, Care Lady Fingers. Suggestions and criticisms will be appreciated.

WINNING RECIPE
Buttermilk Pie

3 eggs
2 cups sugar
½ cup butter
3 tablespoons of flour
1 cup buttermilk

If the milk is not very acid put in the juice of [illegible] Season with [illegible] vanilla and [illegible] ned pie [illegible] poon [illegible] ives [illegible] pie [illegible] e

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